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COAL BASED POWER PROJECTS BY NTPC AND TNEB
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether NTPC and Tamil Nadu Electricity Board (TNEB) are jointly working on a coal based power project;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have any other similar plans in view of the disappearance of fossil fuels due to over use all over the world;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to reduce pollution from coal based energy?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) & (b) : NTPC and Tamil Nadu Electricity Board (TNEB) have signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on 12.7.2002 for establishing a 1000 MW coal based power project at Ennore in Tamil Nadu as Joint Venture, subject to techno commercial feasibility and bankability of the project, etc. This is the only joint venture that has been conceived till now.

(c) to (e) : Thermal Power units are required to comply with the statutory control of pollution as prescribed by the Government from time to time. Coal, however, would continue to be the main fuel for power generation in India and for the Tenth Plan, out of the target of about 41,000 MW, about 18300 MW would be coal based.